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## NEW BRUNSWICK.

*Inspection of immigrants at St. John and Halifax, for the week ended December 21, 1901.*ST. JOHN, NEW BRUNSWICK, *December 21, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended December 21, there were inspected 473 immigrants; passed, 458; detained, 15.  
\* \* \* There were inspected at the port of Halifax, Nova Scotia, 12 immigrants; passed, 12; detained, none.

Respectfully,

VICTOR G. HEISER,  
*Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*The SURGEON-GENERAL,  
*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*

## PORTO RICO.

*Report of inspection of the port of Arroyo.*SAN JUAN, P. R., *December 12, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that I made a visit of inspection to the port of Arroyo, P. R., on November 30, in accordance with paragraph 7, Department circular No. 146, 1900.

The port of Arroyo is situated upon the south side of the island of Porto Rico, 40 miles east of Ponce. The harbor is an open roadstead. The town of Arroyo is situated in close proximity to the playa and contains a population of 4,867, according to the census of 1899. The quarantine equipment consists of an acting assistant surgeon, U. S. Marine-Hospital Service. There is no service properly at this station save the stationery and books and blanks necessary for correspondence and records. Boarding is done in a boat owned and manned by the Customs Service. An inspection station only is maintained at this port, infected vessels being remanded to San Juan or Ponce for disinfection. During the first five months of the present fiscal year, 4 foreign vessels have arrived and been inspected at this port—i. e., 1 schooner from Barbados, 1 schooner from Saint Lucia, and 2 steamers from Liverpool.

In view of the small amount of work to be done at this port, it would seem that the equipment is sufficient, and consequently I have no recommendation to submit.

Respectfully,

H. S. MATHEWSON,  
*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,*  
*Chief Quarantine Officer for Porto Rico.*The SURGEON-GENERAL,  
*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.**Report from Ponce—Yellow fever at Saint Lucia.*PONCE, P. R., *December 16, 1901.*

SIR: Through the chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, I have the honor to transmit herewith the quarantine and abstract of bills of health reports for the week ended December 14, 1901. During the week 5 vessels were inspected and passed and the Italian cruiser *Umbria* and Dominican gunboat *Presidente* were boarded and passed on medical officer's certificate. Five bills of health were issued.

The following is a translation of a local newspaper article reporting